Kidbrooke

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Coordinates: 51.465°N 0.0330°E

For the house in Sussex, see Kidbrooke Park.

Kidbrooke is an area of South East London, England, within the Royal Borough of Greenwich. It is located 7½ miles (12 km) east-south-east of Charing Cross and north west of Eltham.

The district takes its name from the Kyd Brook, a watercourse which runs from Orpington to Lewisham, by which point it is part of the River Quaggy. It is a tributary to the River Ravensbourne.

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Housing [edit source]

The area contains a large amount of 1920s and 1930s domestic housing, developed partly as the Kidbrooke Park Estate, between Shooters Hill and Rochester Way.

In 1965 when the Government released the land occupied by the RAF to the Greater London Council for housing. Kidbrooke was also home to the Ferrier Estate, built from 1968, and one of the largest and most deprived council housing developments in London. The housing estate was demolished in 2012 and redeveloped as Kidbrooke Village, a development of 4,200 homes masterplanned by Lifschutz Davidson Sandilands with Design and Build MEP contractor Cilantro Engineering.

Features [edit source]

Immediately south of the former Ferrier Estate is Sutcliffe Park which includes a lake, acting as a flood defence, and created by partly releasing the Kyd Brook from concrete conduits underground in which it had run until 2006.

Rochester Way, a road which was built along much of the course of the old country lane Kidbrooke Lane, was intended as a bypass for Shooters Hill to the north. Rochester Way has itself now been bypassed by a dual carriageway – part of the A2 road – built in the 1980s over most of Kidbrooke Green. A small remaining piece of this open land, alongside the road, is now Kidbrooke Green Park, and adjacent to that, a small nature reserve managed by Greenwich Council. The nature reserve is visible, but not open to the public.

Some of the land encroached on by the dual carriageway, adjacent to the railway line serving Kidbrooke railway station, was formerly a Royal Air Force equipment store. Some of the buildings remain, south of the houses of Nelson Mandella Road, but the site is now little used.[2] Nearby to the northwest, Thomas Tallis School is built on the former site of a prisoner-of-war camp,[3] part of RAF Kidbrooke, formerly a barrage balloon centre.[4] (There are several other military facilities in the general vicinity, which is also close to a surviving base in Woolwich, long home to the Royal Artillery and now to other parts of the British Army.)

Transport [edit source]

Rail [edit source]

Kidbrooke railway station provides the area with Southeastern services to London Victoria, London Charing Cross, London Cannon Street, Dartford and Slade Green.

Buses [edit source]

Kidbrooke is served by London Buses routes 132, 178, 286, 335, 386 and B16. These connect it with areas including Bexleyheath, Blackheath, Eltham, Greenwich, Lewisham, North Greenwich, Sidcup, Welling and Woolwich.

Roads [edit source]

The A2 road gives the area rapid access to the London Inner Ring Road, the South Circular Road and the M25 motorway.

Education [edit source]

See also: Royal Borough of Greenwich § Education

Primary schools [edit source]

- Wingfield School
- Kidbrooke Park
- Holy Family R.C
- Henwick Primary School
- Ealdham Primary School

Secondary schools [edit source]

- The Halley Academy — opened in 1954 as Kidbrooke School; the first purpose-built comprehensive school in Britain and became an Academy in 2011 as Corelli College
- Thomas Tallis School — opened in 1971

Notable inhabitants [edit source]

Famous residents have included comedian Jim Davidson, who grew up in Holburne Road; interior designer Lawrence Llewelyn Bowen, who lived in a bungalow on Kidbrooke Park Road until 2004; and singer Sandie Shaw. AFC Bournemouth player Junior Stanislas was born in Kidbrooke.

Ryan Stanton, Gary Stanton and Gergo Petrovics are all resident in Kidbrooke also.

See also [edit source]

- List of people from Greenwich
- List of schools in Greenwich

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Roads [edit source]

- County of London Plan
- London Ringways
- East Cross Route

Nearby areas [edit source]

Districts closest to Kidbrooke [show]

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External links [edit source]

- Kidbrooke Village masterplan
- Kidbrooke Village Phase 1
- Kidbrooke Village Phase 3
- The Kidbrooke Kite – News and blog site covering Kidbrooke and surrounding area

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Nelson Mandella Road, Kidbrooke

Location within Greater London

Population	14,300 (2011 Census: Kidbrooke with Hornfair Ward)[1]
OS grid reference	TQ413760
• Charing Cross	7.5 mi (12.1 km) WNW
London borough	Greenwich
Ceremonial county	Greater London
Region	London
Country	England
Sovereign state	United Kingdom
Post town	LONDON
Postcode district	SE3, SE9
Dialling code	020
Police	Metropolitan
Fire	London
Ambulance	London
UK Parliament	Greenwich and Woolwich
London Assembly	Greenwich and Lewisham

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A map showing the Kidbrooke ward of Greenwich Metropolitan Borough as it appeared in 1916

Houses and gardens in Kidbrooke, January 1980

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